SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Identifier: (5N) 99.999% Tantalum Hydride

Product Code: TA-HID5-05

CAS Number: 13981-95-8

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

Supplier details:

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION OF SUBSTANCE OR MIXTURE

Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements

H228
Flammable solid.

H261
In contact with water releases flammable gas.

H302+H312+H332
Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin, or if inhaled.

H319
Causes serious eye irritation.

H335
May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary Phrases

P210
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces.– No smoking.

P223
Keep away from any possible contact with water, because of violent reaction and possible flash fire. 
P231+P232
Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture. 
P240
Ground/bond container and receiving equipment. 
P241
Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. 
P261
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. 
P280
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. 
P301+P312
IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. 
P302+P352
IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. 
P304+P340
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. 
P305+P351+P338
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and 
easy to do. Continue rinsing. 
HMIS CLASSIFICATION:  
Health: 1 
Fire: 3 
Reactivity Hazard: 2 
NFPA RATING:  
Health: 1 
Flammability: 3 
Reactivity Hazard: 2 
EYE CONTACT: Causes irritation and burns to the eyes. 
SKIN CONTACT: Causes irritation and burns to the skin. 
INHALATION: EXTREMELY HARMFUL! Causes irritation and burns to the nasal cavity and 
respiratory tract. 
INGESTION: Harmful if swallowed.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula: TaH5 
Molecular Weight: 185.99 
CHEMICAL NAME: Tantalum Hydride 
CAS #: 13981-95-8 
%wt: 100

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

EYE EXPOSURE: 
Immediately flush the eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure flushing 
under eyelids. A victim may need assistance in keeping their eyelids open. Get immediate medical 
attention. 
SKIN EXPOSURE: 
Wash affected area with soap and copious amounts of water. Remove contaminated clothing if 
necessary. Seek medical assistance immediately if irritation, redness persists, or if burns develop.
INHALATION:
Remove victim to fresh air. Closely monitor the victim for signs of respiratory problems, such as difficulty in breathing, coughing, wheezing, or pain. Give oxygen if necessary. Give CPR if not breathing. Seek immediate medical care.

INGESTION:
Seek medical assistance immediately. Keep victim calm.

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

FLASH POINT:
Pyrophoric

Autoignition:
Not available

EXPLOSION LIMITS:
Not available

EXTINGUISHING MEDIUM:
Class D extinguisher only. Or smother with dry sand. DO NOT USE WATER!

SPECIAL FIREFIGHTING PROCEDURES: Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing, including eye protection and boots. Contact with water released flammable gases.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION AND DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:
Hydrogen gas and tantalum oxides

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS:
Wear all appropriate equipment when using this material.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
Avoid the formation of dust. Avoid breathing vapors, mist, gas, or dust.

ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS:
Prevent spillage from entering drains or allowing to be released into the environment.

METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT AND CLEANING UP:
Cover with dry lime, dry sand, or soda ash. Sweep up and place in suitable container for proper disposal.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING:
Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
Use with adequate ventilation.
Avoid formation of dusts and aerosols.
Handle under inert gas. Keep ignition sources away.
Protect against electrostatic charges.

CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE:
Store in cool, dry, and well-ventilated area. Keep away from incompatible materials.
Store away from water. Store under argon. Moisture sensitive. Store between 15-30°C
SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS:
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

EYE PROTECTION:
Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles and face shield.

SKIN PROTECTION:
Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, and a complete suit protecting against chemicals.

VENTILATION:
Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical.

RESPIRATOR:
Use an approved respirator.

ADDITIONAL PROTECTION:
Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

COLOR AND FORM:
Gray powder

ODOR:
None

MOLECULAR WEIGHT:
185.99

BOILING POINT:
No data available

MELTING POINT:
No data available

SPECIFIC GRAVITY:
15.1 gm/ml

SOLUBILITY:
Violent Reaction with water liberates flammable gases

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

STABILITY:
Stable

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:
Will not occur

CONDITIONS TO AVOID:
Heat, flames, sparks, and other ignition sources

INCOMPATIBILITY:
Strong oxidizing agents, alcohols, water, and acids

DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:
Hydrogen gas and tantalum oxides

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ACUTE TOXICITY:
Not available
CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS:
No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified a
carcinogen.
MUTAGENIC EFFECTS:
Not available
TETRATOGENIC EFFECTS:
Not available
CHRONIC TOXICITY:
Not available
RTECS:
No data
To the best of our knowledge the toxicological effects of this compound have not been fully
investigated.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION
No data available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS
Dispose of in according to local, state, and federal regulations

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION
UN3132
Marine Pollutant: No
Water-Reactive solid, flammable, n.o.s.
(Tantalum hydride)
CLASS
4.3 (4.1)
PG II

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION
SARA 302/304:
Not Listed
SARA 311/312:
Not Listed
SARA (TITLE 313):
Not Listed
CALIFORNIA PROP. 65:
Not Listed
WHMIS CANADA:
Not Listed
MASSACHUSETTS RIGHT TO KNOW COMPONENTS:
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.
NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO KNOW COMPONENTS:
No components are subject to the New Jersey Right to Know Act.
16. OTHER INFORMATION

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